STATEMENT OF THE CLAIMS

- 1 44 (cancelled)
- 45. (previously presented) A cutting device comprising a blade carrier, a device engagement arrangement for setting the device against a surface, and a blade adjustment arrangement for adjusting the position of a blade relative to at least one of the blade carrier and the surface.
- 46. (previously presented) A cutting device comprising a blade carrier and a device engagement arrangement for setting the device against a surface such that a blade carried by the blade carrier cuts at a predetermined cut plane relative to the device engagement arrangement.
- 47. (previously presented) A cutting device according to claim 45, wherein the device is adjustable with respect to the blade position relative to its spacing below the device engagement arrangement.
- 48. (previously presented) A cutting device according to claim 46, wherein the blade defines a cut plane which is spaced below the level of the device engagement means.
- 49. (withdrawn) A cutting device according to claim 45, wherein the blade comprises a cutting portion and a fixing portion extending transversely to the cutting portion, the

cutting portion being spaced from and adjacent the device engagement arrangement.

50. (previously presented) A cutting device according to claim 46, wherein the cut plane of the blade is spaced from and adjacent (preferably substantially parallel to) the plane surface against which the device engagement arrangement is placed.

51 - 59 (cancelled)